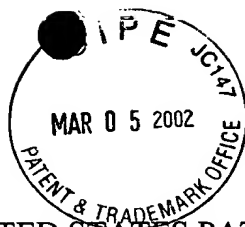


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EXAMINER: YU

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FOR: USE OF PHYTANETRIOL AS AN ANTI-
POLLUTION AGENT, IN PARTICULAR
IN A COSMETIC COMPOSITION

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2001, Applicants respectfully
request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following
amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Amended) A method of protecting keratin materials from the harmful effects of
pollution, comprising topically applying a composition comprising a pollutant penetration
limiting effective amount of phytanetriol to said keratin materials.

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B2
23. (Amended) A treatment process for protecting a keratin material against the
effects of pollution, comprising applying to the keratin material a composition comprising a
pollutant penetration limiting effective amount of phytanetriol in a physiologically acceptable
medium.

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